

# Miller & Rhoads

## Suggestions for the Last Day's Shopping.

Store Open  
To-Morrow Night

To-morrow there'll be a rush all day long and far into the night.

We're prepared for it, and all goods purchased to-morrow will be delivered to-morrow night.

Let us suggest again, as much for your comfort as our convenience, that you shop as early in the morning as possible. Take all the small packages with you that you possibly can.

### Silver Novelties

Main Floor, Centre Aisle.

Beautiful things here—and note how inexpensive they are.

Handsome Glass Puff Boxes and Tobacco Jars, with silver-plated tops, 10c each.

Silver-Plated Match and Toothpick Holders, novel designs, 50c each.

Special value in Women's Heavily Plated Comb and Brush Set, in a handsomely lined box, \$2.25 set.

Combination Set of Men's Military Brushes and one Clothes Brush, real ebony, trimmed with sterling silver; handsomely lined box, \$2.98.

Women's Dressing Sets, with heavily plated mirror, comb and brush, \$5.

This set cannot be duplicated in town at the price.

Very Fine Sterling Silver Dressing Set, with beautiful comb, brush and mirror, \$16.50; worth \$20.

Men's Shaving Set, of quadruple plate, with handsome mirror on pedestal; brush and mug, something that will appeal to any man, \$7.50 set.

### Toilet Articles.

You couldn't please a woman better than by giving her something from this department.

Hudnut's Extracts, in one-ounce bottles; decorated Christmas box, in odors of Violet, Wood Violet, White Rose and Lily of the Valley, 50c bottle.

Hudnut's Extreme Violet and Violet See Toilet Water, put up in handsome Christmas boxes, 75c bottle.

Pine's Gloriamye, Le Treple and Azura Extracts, in 1-4 ounce bottles, decorated Christmas box, \$1.25 bottle.

Houbigant's Ideal Extract, in 2 1-2 ounce bottles; put up in an especially handsome satin-lined Christmas box, \$3.50 bottle.

### Women's Hosiery.

Can you think of a better Christmas gift than

Kayser Pure Black Silk Hose, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2 pair.

Black Silk Hose, with embroidered fronts, \$2.08, \$2.38, \$5 up to \$10.

Black Silk Lisle Hose, 50c pair.

Black Lisle Hose, with embroidered front, 50c, \$1 to \$2 pair.

### Holiday Books.

Many people intend giving a beautifully bound and printed book as a present, but have not as yet selected it. Here's a list that may help you out.

The prices are as attractive as the appearance of the books.

The One Way Out, by Bettina Von Hutten, \$1.50.

Col. Crockett's Co-operative Christmas, by Rupert Hughes, 80c.

Her Letter, by Bret Harte, \$1.50.

Shakespeare's Sweetheart, by Sara Hawke Stirling, \$1.60.

Maurine, by Ella Wheeler Wilcox, illustrated edition, \$1.08.

A Maid in Arcady, by Ralph Henry Barbour, \$1.50.

A Warning to Lovers, by Paul Leicester Ford, \$1.08.

Snow Bound, by Whittier, \$2.00.

While the Heart Beats Young, by James Whitcomb Riley, \$2.00.

Reveries of a Bachelor, by Ik Marvel; an ideal book for a man, handsomely illustrated, \$1.98.

Rosemary in Search of a Father, by C. N. and A. M. Williamson, \$1.08.

Legend of Sleepy Hollow, by Washington Irving, illustrated by Arthur I. Keller, \$1.50.

The Happy-Go-Lucky, translated from the German by Mrs. A. L. Wister, \$1.50.

A Woman in the Heart of Japan, by Gertrude Adams Fisher, \$2.00.

Old New England Churches and Their Children, by Bacon, \$3.75.

Lorna Doone, by Blackmore, 2 Vols., illustrated edition, \$1.25.

A Chronicle of Christmas, by Jeannette Grace Watson, 80c.

Japanese Blossoms, by Onoto Watanna, \$2.00.

The Adventures of Joutou, by Edith Macvane, \$1.50.

In Love's Garden, by John Cecil Clay, \$1.25.

The Christy Girl, by Howard Chandler Christy, and one year's subscription to the Readers' Magazine; the two for \$3.00.

Abbe Constantine, by Ludovic Halevy, \$1.08.

The Land of Enchantment, by Lillian Whiting, \$2.50.

War Songs and Poems of the Southern Confederacy, 1861-1865, by an ex-Confederate, \$1.10.

### Copyright Illustrated Books, 89c

Originally published at \$2.00

Beautiful Women in Art.

The Lover's Treasury of Verse.

Famous American Composers.

Little Journeys in Literature.

Cap and Gown.

Child Life in Art.

Saints in Art.

Little Journeys in Old New England.

Famous Authors.

Love in Art.

Angels in Art.

Famous Singers of To-day and Yesterday.

And many other titles.

### Calendars.

Great variety, beginning at 5c each and ranging up to \$4.

Christy and Harrison Fisher Calendars, \$2.40 each.

A Calendar of the World's Masterpieces, 365 reproductions of famous paintings, \$1.

### Pictures

A big subject, for it's a big stock—Double the space we formerly had, and double the stock.

Everything about the picture department is on a bigger scale than ever except the prices.

You can pay as little as you choose for some beautiful etchings, or up into the two figures in the dollar column for exquisite oil paintings.

Come in to-morrow and look through our department.

### Leather Goods.

It's a good thing for us (and for you also) that we ordered heavily on \$1 Bags.

The continual throng of purchasers at this counter would have cleaned us out some days ago but for the new arrivals constantly coming in.

Best Bag we've ever seen at a dollar.

Other Bags, in various leathers and shapes, at \$1.50, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98, \$3.98.

We've congratulated ourselves on the line of Walrus, Seal, Pin Seal and Alligator Bags that we have this year at \$5.

Leather lined and fitted.

Complete assortment of Men's and Women's Combination Card Cases, Wallets, Bill Rolls, etc., in snakeskin, seal, walrus and alligator, 50c to \$5.

### Men's Wear

Biggest Christmas business we've ever had in this department—but remember that this is not only the largest, but the best men's furnishing store in Virginia.

#### Men's Handkerchiefs.

Plain Linen, 10c, 12 1-2c, 17c, 25c to 75c.

Initial Handkerchiefs, hand-drawn hems, worked initials, 25c and 50c.

#### Men's Gloves.

Tan, Pique and Overseam, for street and dress, \$1.

Gray and Reindeer Suede Gloves, unlined and silk lined, \$1.

Gray and Reindeer Suede Gloves, heavy fleece lined, \$1.

Gray and Tan Suede Palm Gloves, astrakhan back, \$1.

Light Weight Gray Suede Gloves, for dress, \$1.50.

Gray and Reindeer Mocha Gloves, silk lined and unlined, \$1.50.

Tan Pique Gloves, for dress and street, \$1.50.

Fur-Lined Gloves, \$2.98 to \$5.

Men's and Boys' Gloves, brown and black kid palms, astrakhan back, 50c.

Men's and Boys' Wool Gloves, 25c.

#### Men's Sweaters.

Wool Sweaters, \$1 to \$3.

Boys' Wool Sweaters, \$1 to \$2.

Men's Cardigan Jackets, in black, brown, maroon and tan, \$2, \$3 and \$4.

Men's Dress Protectors, black silk, lined, white and gray, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 up to \$3.

Men's Silk Suspenders, 50c, \$1 to \$2.50; separately boxed.

Men's House Coats, \$4 and \$5.

Men's Bath Robes, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$5 up to \$10.

Men's Pajamas, outing and madras, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.50 up to \$4.50.

### Bric-a-Brac

One gentleman said to the writer yesterday, "How can you describe these things so that people will know just how beautiful they are?"

We're not going to try—all we ask is that you visit our basement department and look at the handsomest collection of Vases, Ornaments, Gilt Clocks, Gilt Mirrors, Lamps, fine China and fancy goods in general that has ever been shown in Richmond.

The stock has been the admiration of everybody that has seen it—you'll feel the same way.

Japanese Vases, \$1.60, \$2.50 and upwards.

Royal Dux ware from Austria, \$3.25, \$5.80 up to \$11.80.

Cobalt Blue Vases, \$1.98 up to \$7.50.

Gilt Mirrors, 70c, \$1.25, \$2.25 and upwards.

Jewel Boxes of gilt, silver and old brass, \$1 to \$9.

Brass Lamps, \$10.

### Furs

#### Last Call Before Christmas.

Judging by the big sales of the past week Richmond people have confidence in what we say about Furs.

\$14.98 Imitation Chinchilla Sets, large muff and large bag.

\$21.50, \$29.50, \$32.50, \$39.50 up to \$75 for Novelty Pieces in Mink Scarfs.

\$37.50 Mink Muffs, three stripes.

\$39.50 Mink Muffs, five stripes.

\$40 Fine Persian Lamb Muffs.

\$38.50 Scarf to match.

\$49.50 for a Pony Muff, one of the novelties this season.

\$79.50 Handsome Broad Tail Muff.

\$65 Scarf to match.

\$16.50 and \$25 for White Thibet Sets for misses.

\$18.50 for Iceland Fox Sets for misses.

\$10, \$12.98 and \$16.98 for Long Pillow Muffs, Isabella and Fox.

\$10 Pillow Shape Squirrel Muffs, medium size. Large size, \$15 and \$20.

\$10.98, \$13.50, \$18.50 for Scarfs to match.

\$10.98, \$21.50, \$23.50 for Novelty Squirrel Scarfs.

#### Quadruple Plate and Sterling

#### Table Silver

(Basement.)

You can add on an average 20 to 25 per cent. to the prices of our table silver to ascertain the usual prices elsewhere for these articles.

Baking Dishes, \$3.39, \$3.98, \$5 up to \$7.89.

Water Pitchers, \$2.89, \$3.89, \$5 up to \$7.89.

Tea Sets, 4 pieces, \$7.89 and \$10; five-piece sets, \$16.50.

Fern Dishes, special value \$1.50, worth \$2.

Covered Vegetable Dish, \$10.

Syrup Pitcher and Plate, \$1.69, \$3.25, \$5.50.

Chocolate Pitchers, \$2.89, \$3.89, \$4.98.

Comports \$5.89, \$8, \$9.50.

Fruit Bowls, \$5.

Sterling Silver Sugar Spoons, Bon-Bon Spoons, Olive Forks, Cream Ladles, etc., \$1 each.

Sterling Silver Tomato Servers and Cold Meat Forks, \$2.

The above are but a few of the hundreds of beautiful things in this department, any one of which is suitable as a Christmas present.

### Umbrellas.

#### The Kind You'll Give as Gifts.

The best Umbrellas for \$1 you ever saw. Corolla covered; gold, silver, gunmetal and pearl handles.

Women's Umbrellas, \$1.98, \$2.98 and \$3.98—the latter equal to many five-dollar values.

Women's All-Silk, Tape-Edge Umbrellas; gold, silver, pearl and gunmetal handles, \$5.

The "Fifth Avenue" is a new Umbrella for women; extra long Princess handle; brown, black, navy, green and red silks; newest thing out in Umbrellas, \$5.

Men's Umbrellas, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.50 up to \$5.

Complete line of the handles that appeal to masculine tastes.

Combination Set of a Man's Umbrella and Cane. Both with heavy sterling silver handles; handsomely boxed—\$8.98 for the two articles.

### Candy

Your last chance to get first-class candy for Christmas at the lowest prices pure candy can be sold for—10c to 39c a pound here.

### Jewelry

#### For Men and Women.

(Centre Aisle, Main Floor.)

There's one very marked difference between our jewelry and what we've seen displayed elsewhere. Our prices average 25 per cent. less for the same values.

Men's Cuff Buttons, in all the newest designs, from the 25c silver and gold-plated ones to the solid gold buttons, set with real stones, at \$15 per pair.

Men's Stick Pins, especially noted for their artistic and exclusive patterns, 25c to \$10 each.

Men's Shirt Studs, of pearl and gold, 25c to \$1 set of three.

New and select assortment of Men's Watch Fobs, 25c to \$5 each.

We haven't seen the equal of our assortment of Women's Brooches at 25c, 50c and \$1.00.

Very fine selection of the Better Brooches, \$1.69 up to \$12, \$15 and \$20—the latter ones are solid gold, set with real stones.

Women's and Children's Solid Gold Cynnet and Set Rings, \$1.50 to \$5.00.

Women's Beaded Bags, in a combination of rich patterns, one of the season's most popular fads for the theatre and dress uses, 50c to \$5.

### Women's Coats.

Long Tourist Coats, of Fancy Plaids and stripes.

\$4.98 \$6.98 \$9.75

Black Kersey and Black Broadcloth Coats, 50 inches long.

\$7.98 \$9.50 \$10 \$11

We couldn't recommend anything more suitable as a holiday gift than one of these very good Coats at the prices named.

### Handkerchiefs.

#### For Women and Children.

Thousands of Handkerchiefs going out every day—for this is the Handkerchief store of Richmond.

Anything you want in style and price. Holiday values here mean the best of values.

Handkerchiefs for the little ones—3 in a box with ornamental top—25c box.

Extra value in Women's Sheer All-Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, with check and cross bar centres, at 12 1-2c each.

Our assortment of Women's Embroidered Linen and Swiss Handkerchiefs at 25c is by far the best selection we've ever been fortunate enough to have.

Better Handkerchiefs in very sheer linen and linen centres, with dainty lace trimmings, from 50c to \$3.98 each.

### Evening Waists

Were \$16.50, \$13.98 to \$24.50.

Only one of a kind—all novelty Waists, sizes 34 to 42.

They come in Radium, net, chiffons and crepe de chine, in colors of pink, light blue, cream, black and black and white. Swellest garments of the season at their original prices. We're housecleaning before Christmas and out they go at \$13.98.

All sizes, 34 to 42; all perfect garments in every respect.

### IMPROVE BREED VIRGINIA HORSES

Steps Are Being Taken to Organize a "Hunters' Improvement Society."

CHURCHMAN, VA., December 22.—Virginia breeders and horsemen are taking steps to organize the Hunters' Improvement Society, which, as the name suggests, is for the improvement of the hunting stock in the Old Dominion. The purpose of the new organization is best set forth in the following circular letter of its secretary, Mr. Charles Grier Herring, Harrisonburg, Va.:

"It is evident to all who have observed the tendency of the times that a hunter improvement society, on the lines of the English Hunter Improvement Society, will be organized in this country in the near future. It is being constantly agitated, especially in the Eastern States. Now it does not require much reflection to see the vast importance to Virginia

horsemen and breeders of having the initiative in this movement come from Virginia. This is no part of the world, except Ireland, is thoroughly blooded as generally used, or such splendid specimens of the highest hunter and blood produced in such numbers as in our State. Their popularity is well deserved and general among the wealthy Eastern sportsmen.

"That prices of southern sportmen, Mr. Foxhall P. Kew, says the Virginia hunters are the best he has been able to procure in America or Europe.

"We have the market now, but we can hardly expect that market, and we can not be too careful to preserve and improve it. We are doing so by raising our reputation, but only by brave, earnest and successful effort.

"The objects of the proposed organization are in part the general improvement of the hunter and blood breeding in the State; the more careful and general use of the best thoroughbred blood; the registry of suitable, sound and approved sires, and dams; a systematic extension of the market for horses of the class, including cavalry remounts; the offering of the society is able to do for prices, etc. We hope we are laying the foundation for a National Hunter Improvement Society.

"Those in charge of the movement have given much consideration to the questions involved; have carefully studied the English prototype, its system and methods; have discussed the matter in all its bearings with earnest, practical horsemen from various parts of the country,

and feel assured we can submit a system and plan of procedure in all respects feasible, and which will commend themselves to our Virginia horsemen.

"As soon as a convenient time and place of meeting for permanent organization is decided upon we will notify you and trust you will be present. In the meantime, we bespeak for the movement your influence and support in your country. We would also greatly appreciate any suggestions you would be kind enough to make."

About 25,000 cotton-mill operatives went to work under increased wages in New England.

A piece of guilty was made at San Francisco by Louis Dabner, player of Manager M. Muna Kato, of the Japanese Bank.

### for the teeth

the most cleansing, fragrant, healthful, pleasant after-taste dentifrice is

Meade & Baker's  
Carbolic Mouth Wash

at your druggist's, 25c, 50c, \$1.00

### SHOPPERS THROG MARION STREETS

Busy Scenes Presented as Christmas Holidays Approach. Adjourns Courts.